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LOSS TO TV AND RADIO TRANSMITTERS
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Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) the details of loss and damage reported to TV and Radio transmitters in the earthquake affected areas of Gujarat ;

(b) the action by the Government to repair them ;

(c) whether the Government propose to draw an action plan to deal with such natural calamities in future ;

(d) if so, the details thereof ; and

(e) the countries which have provided monetary assistance and other technical assistance to restore these stations ?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SMT. SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (d): Doordarshan have reported that all its transmitters in Gujarat are functioning normally. The building of Low Power Transmitter (LPT) at Rapar had beenextensively damaged. Therefore, the transmitter is operating from a porta cabin. AIRhas also reported no damage to its transmitters in earthquake affected areas of Gujarat and they are all functioning normally. Most of the AIR/DD buildings have suffereddamages. The details are given in the Annexure. Wherever buildings have suffered damages, these are being replaced by earthquake-proof structures. Repair/reconstruction work has been initiated.

(e): Prasar Bharati has not received any monetary assistance or relief material from any country for this purpose.